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Subpart C—Standards

OFFICIAL COTTON STANDARDS OF THE UNITED STATES FOR LENGTH OF STAPLE

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§28.301 Measurement: humidity; temperature.

The length of staple of any cotton shall be the normal length by measurement, without regard to quality or value, of a typical portion of its fibers under a relative humidity of the atmosphere of 65 percent and a temperature of 70° F.

§ 28.302 Terms of designation.

"Below $\frac{13}{16}$; $\frac{7}{8}$; $\frac{29}{32}$; $\frac{15}{16}$; $\frac{31}{32}$; 1; $\frac{1}{32}$; $\frac{1}{16}$; $\frac{1}{32}$; $\frac{1}{8}$; $\frac{1}{32}$; $\frac{1}{16}$; $\frac{1}{32}$; $\frac{1}{4}$; $\frac{1}{32}$; $\frac{1}{16}$; $\frac{1}{32}$; $\frac{1}{8}$; $\frac{1}{32}$; $\frac{1}{4}$; $\frac{1}{32}$; $\frac{1}{16}$; $\frac{1}{32}$; $\frac{1}{2}$; $\frac{1}{17}$; $\frac{1}{96}$; $\frac{1}{96}$; $\frac{1}{56}$; $\frac{1}{232}$; $\frac{1}{116}$; $\frac{1}{232}$; $\frac{1}{34}$; and upward in like manner in gradations of thirty-seconds, disregarding any fraction less than a thirty-second."

§ 28.303 Standards for length of staple for American upland cotton.

(a) Effective July 12, 1985, standards for the lengths of staple of American upland cotton shall be measurements as determined by the Suter-Webb Duplex Cotton Fiber Sorter in accordance with the test method prescribed in paragraph (c) of this section. Ranges for each official staple length are shown in the table below. Staple standards exceeding $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches, in graduations of thirty-second inches, will be expressed in increments of .041 inches.

[In inches]

Staple length	Upper quartile length range
13/16827-.847
7/8909-.929
29/32950-.970
15/16990-1.010
31/32	1.031-1.051

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